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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Dietrich Stephen et al.

Serial No. 09/940,454

Filed: 08/29/2001

For: Gene Expression Based Method For Distinguishing Metastatic From Non-

Metastatic Forms of a Tumor, and Use in Designing Therapeutic Drugs.

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an extension of time for the period indicated below be granted in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 to take the action required in the application identified in caption, as reflected by the papers submitted herewith.

- X Extension For Response Within The First Month: \$55*
- Extension For Response Within The Second Month: \$205
- Extension For Response Within The Third Month: \$465*

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A Credit Card Use Authorization in the amount of the above total fee is attached.

Respectfully submitted.

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